

Wellesley June 24th 1841

My dear Sir,

In reply to your note of yesterday just rec^d. I would say - that while I have no particular wish that any continued secret should be made of what I propose doing for the College, at the same time I should rather prefer that the fact should go to the public in a private manner, and it would be more agreeable to my feelings for President Eliot not to mention

my name in the public
announcement you say
he intends to make of
the gift at the Commence-
ment dinner next week.
I hope this course
will be equally satis-
factory to him.

I was disappointed
that you did not make me
your half promised visit
the other day but I hope
to have the pleasure of
seeing you during your
vacation. Our new

Evergreens are looking
splendid by none having
been injured the past
winter - not even the
Wellingtons - which I
attribute partly to the
very dry Autumn we had
causing them to mature
their wood very thoroughly
for the winter was
rather a trying one.

Very sincerely
Yours
H. H. Munroe

Joseph Gray
Cambridge.